

The aim of this essay is for you to think about the Wiki project and reflect (consider) on your performance. What did you learn? Did you improve? What was easy? What was difficult? How did you change as a person from the beginning to the end of the project? Did you learn new skills? Can you use these new skills in the future? Finally, if you did a project like this again, what would you do differently?



My reflective essay

Introduction - list your main ideas.

As a student in the intermediate English class, I have learned a number of things over the last 4 weeks. The project which we were all involved in helped me to learn a number of skills which I will be able to take with me and use in my future academic life. The project allowed me to develop my **speaking confidence** and **writing skills**, as well as my **technology skills**. Before this project, I did not have much experience using technology, however, now I feel I am better equipped to use it.

Main body 1 - Discusses my speaking confidence

I have always been shy when it comes to **speaking**. My brain knows what I want to say, however, when it comes time to speak, I find it difficult to express what I want to say. For this project, I had to make two videos. In the first video, I had to interview a friend. For me, this was a scary experience, because not only would I have to speak to someone, but it would be recorded. I almost died when the teacher told me we would have to do this. Anyway, I tried hard and after interviewing a few people my confidence rose and the process started to become easier. I guess my speaking has improved now. I still make mistakes and find it hard to express myself sometimes, but I am more confident when I speak. This means I talk to more people which I am sure will improve my English eventually.

Main body 2 - Discusses my writing skills

Writing is so tough sometimes. I now my grammar skills are good, because I always get good grades in the quiz and I understand everything the teacher says. In contrast, when it comes to **writing**, I find it difficult to balance all the grammar points and express myself logically so everyone can understand. When I found out my writing would be online, I was obviously a little nervous. People might read my writing and find mistakes and that would be the worst. Luckily for me, my classmates were awesome and they helped me to check my writing and point out how I could make it read smoother. I definitely think my writing skills have improved in the sense that I now know what my weak areas are. All I have to do now is improve that, which is easier said than done.

Main body 3 - Discusses my new technology skills.

If you had asked me what a **Wiki** was before this project, I would have responded with a blank stare. For this project, I had to create a video, upload it to **Youtube**, which I had never done before, as well as put all this information onto a website. I was really proud of

myself, because in the end I did it. It was hard, I'm not denying that, but with the help of my friends, I was able to produce something that was better than I had expected. I'm sure that when I get to my degree, I will be able to use these new skills again. Now the project is over, I have some new skills which I know will come in handy.

Conclusion - What was your weak point and how you will improve yourself next time.

At the end of the day, it was a good experience to work on this project. I really feel I have become closer with my classmates and we have created something that we can look back on in the future and be proud of. If I were to do the project again, I would probably work on my speaking a little more. I should have planned what I wanted to say, before saying it. Then, I think it would have sounded more professional. My writing was good, but again, I could have proof read it a few more time to eliminate all the little mistakes that I now see when I read it again. It was a good learning experience for me and I hope that the next time I do something like this, I give it 100%. With a little more preparation and teamwork, I am sure that the outcome of the next project will be even better.